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## PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE EXTENSION OF TIME

MAILSTOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Sir:

This is a Petition for Retroactive Extension of Time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee in the amount of \$120.00 for a (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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